

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Pursuant to MPEP § 714.16, the examiner has the authority to enter amendments submitted after Notice of Allowance in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.312 without forwarding to the supervisory patent examiner for approval where said amendments merely embody the correction of formal matters. The above amendment is requested for the purposes of updating the status of the divisional application referenced in the specification, and requires no substantial amount of additional work on the part of the Office. This amendment contains no new matter. Entry of this amendment is respectfully requested.

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Respectfully submitted,

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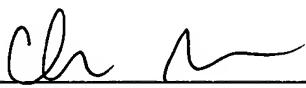
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